Study report on the minorities

†1250. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA: DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Shri Zoya Hasan Committee, set up by the Planning Commission to study about minorities, has submitted its report;
- (b) if so, whether it is also a fact that Chairman of the Committee, Shri Zoya Hasan has discussed the problems being faced by the minorities with Government; and
- (c) if so, the point discussed and the decisions taken by Government with regard to the said discussion?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRIA.R. ANTULAY): (a) Planning Commission set up a working group on "Empowerment of the Minorities" under the Chairpersonship of Dr. Zoya Hasan. The working group has submitted its report to the Planning Commission.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.

State Level Minority Commission

- 1251. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB PEEVEE: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that some States are not showing interest to set up State Level Minority Commission; if is, the details of such States;
 - (b) the steps taken by Government to set up State level Commissions;
- (c) whether a conference of Minority Commissions was held at Delhi recently; and
 - (d) if so, the details of subjects discussed and the cutcome there of?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY): (a) and (b) State Governments, which have not yet set up State Minority Commissions are, Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Sikkim and Tripura.

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